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Book Notices

Walter W. Dwyer, M.A., of West Dennis, Massachusetts, a Christian layman, has brought out an enlarged fourth edition of his booklet, *Spiritual Healing in the United States and Great Britain.* This helpful survey has been recommended by Drs. Otis Rice, Cyril Richardson, Paul Johnson, Carroll Wise, and Ralph Sockman. The Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill calls it "a very valuable collection of information." Part I, "A Short History of Spiritual Healing;" II, "Examples of Healing Procedure, Methodist—Congregational—Episcopal;" III, "Appendix;" IV, "Annotated Bibliography." This booklet is offered *free of charge* to readers of RELIGION IN LIFE, and may be obtained from the author at the above address.

Raymond B. Fosdick has written *John D. Rockefeller, Jr., A Portrait* (Harper, $6.50). A skillful writer and a close associate for forty-five years, Mr. Fosdick was admirably qualified to undertake this biography, which is the history not only of a man but a period, and is meant to be somewhat parallel to Allan Nevins' volume about the first John D. Mr. Rockefeller, Jr., "studiously prepared for a life devoted to a unique problem: how to use his influence and give away his money in this cause" (the spiritual obligation to use one's wealth for the public good). "Mr. Rockefeller's answers to that problem have to a major degree helped to establish modern patterns of philanthropy in America."

Father Trevor Huddleston's *Naught for Your Comfort* (Doubleday, $3.75) has been widely and thoroughly reviewed in other media. We shall say here only that it is an unforgettable crusading book, utterly alive with the pain of the submerged South African group to which he ministered for twelve years, and the joy of his warm identification with their difficult but vivid life. He believes that in such a situation Christians must "fight with political weapons," if they are to be loyal to the Incarnation.

Winburn T. Thomas (missionary and ecumenical worker in Japan, China, Indonesia) and Rajah B. Manikam (World Council and I.M.C. leader and Evangelical Lutheran bishop in India) have collaborated on a book, *The Church in Southeast Asia* (Friendship Press, the usual attractive format, $2.50). "The missionary era has indeed come to an end—but it coincides with, even overlaps, the beginning of the era of the churches." "These young churches in these old lands of Southeast Asia are minority churches set amidst vast numbers of non-Christians, and they therefore face many problems" in an area "vast, complex, explosive."

Harper & Brothers this year have put out *The Twentieth Century Bible Commentary*, edited by G. Henton Davies (Old Testament) and Alan Richardson (New Testament), with Charles Wallis as "American editor;" price $6.95. This "completely up-to-date, one-volume Bible Commentary," mostly a British work but with American additions, is based partly on the now-out-of-print *Teacher's Commentary*. Contributors include H. H. Rowley, H. Wheeler Robinson, C. H. Dodd, Canon Raven, G. Ernest Wright. There are sixteen full-color maps from the Westminster Bible Atlas. Among the line illustrations, the one of "The Hebrew Universe" particularly pleases this reviewer.

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